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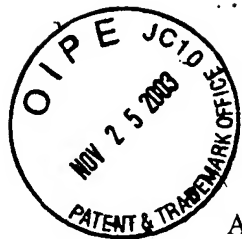
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In response to the Final Office Action of September 10, 2003, please consider the following comments.

Summary of Personal Interview:

Applicant wishes to thank Examiners Ghafoorian and Hayes for their time during the interview conducted on November 6, 2003.

It is initially noted that the interview summary record provided to Applicant following the interview indicates that claims 1, 4, and 7 were discussed. However, only the limitations of independent claim 1 were discussed. Note also that Applicant canceled dependant claim 4 in the amendment of July 7, 2003. The interview summary record also mentions discussion of only the Osborn reference; however, the Park reference was also discussed. The Examiner was also requested by Applicant to review the references submitted in the originally filed application and provide a copy of the signed, initialed, and dated Information Disclosure Statement (PTO-1449) to Applicant.

I. With regard to the Osborn reference, Applicant pointed out during the interview that:

- A) Osborn teaches a combination tampon and tampon dispenser, and that Applicant's claimed invention is drawn to a syringe and not tampons and their dispensers. Applicant defines syringe at least at Pages 4, 27-31, 34, and 68 of the specification.